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Amendment to the Specification:

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On page <sup>6</sup> 6, please amend the second paragraph starting at line 4 to read as follows:

Turning to the drawings, in particular, Figure 1 which illustrates an embodiment of the pelting system of the present invention comprising: a rigid planar sheet material 2, such as plywood, a template guide 6, and a plurality of evenly-spaced perforations 8. The perforations 8 traversing through the rigid planar sheet material are tilted outwardly when viewed from the rear to the front of said sheet and each perforation 8 is beveled at entry in order to promote easy entry of nails 7 during use. In an alternate embodiment, a thin printed paper sheet can be provided having one quarter of the template as shown in indicia 4 in reference to a central point 10 so as to enable a user to perform the perforations onto a sheet material of his/her choice.

On page <sup>6</sup> 6, please amend the last paragraph starting at line 19 to read as follows:

Figure 3[[.]] illustrates a cross-sectional view taken from Figure 2[[.]]. Specifically, the perforations 8 also have diameters which are slightly greater than the outside diameters of the nails 7, to permit releasable securement of the nails 7 therein. ~~wherein said illustration~~ Figure 3 further depicts the tilt of said perforations 8 into the rigid sheet material 2. This provides assurance that the nails 7 will not slide out from their desired inserted position within the perforations 8 when the pelt 5 dries and attempts to shrink.